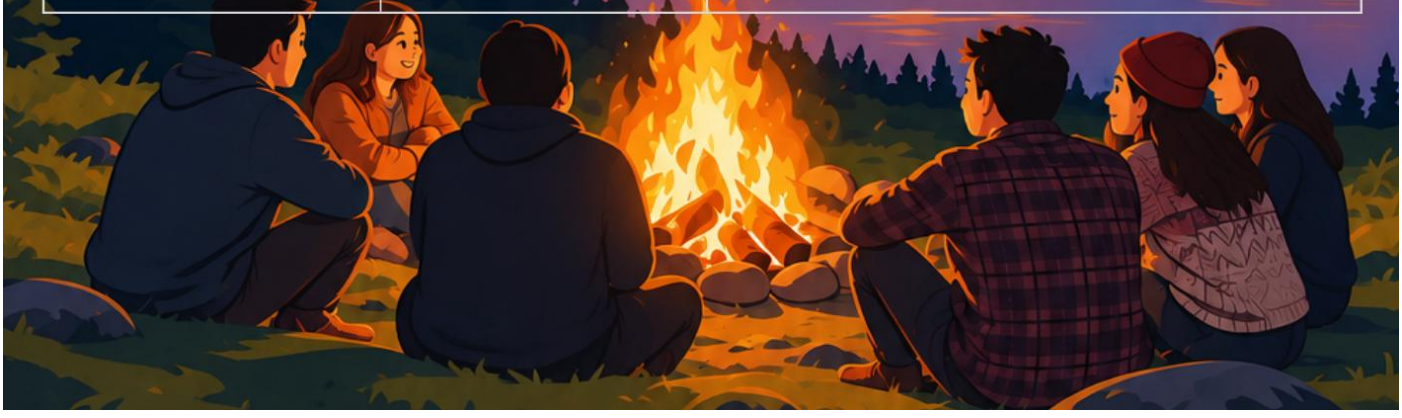
November 2026

Date	Service/Event	Theme and/or Reading
Safeguarding Sunday	Morning Worship – 9.30am	Preacher: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert 1 Cor 13
Sunday 15 November	Holy Communion – 11.15am	Preacher: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert 1 Cor 13 / Matt 18:1-10
2nd Sunday before Advent	Evensong – 5.00pm Trinity 24	Leader: Wilfrid Kendall 1Kings 1:15-40 / Rev 1:4-18
Wednesday 18 November Elizabeth, princess, philanthropist, 1231	Holy Communion – 12 Noon	Preacher: Revd Carolyne Powell 1 Prov 31:10-end / Matt 25:31-end
Christ the King	All Age Morning Worship – 9.30am	Preacher: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Eph 1:15-end
Sunday 22 November	All Age Holy Communion – 11.15am	Preacher: Revd Canon Richard Hibbert Eph 1:15-end / Matt 25:31-end
Sunday next before Advent	Evensong – 5.00pm	Preacher: Nii Kpakpo Ankrah 2 Sam 23:1-7 / Matt 28:16-end



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For your prayers this week:

Pray for how we build a better Safeguarding culture at church and community:

- Vicki Johnson, our Parish Safeguarding Officer and those also involved in making your church a safer place, the clergy and wardens
- Thomas and our team involved in children's and youth work.
- Alex and the choir, musicians, singers and those involved in leading worship.
- Welcome team and those in our and community-focussed activities.
- Victim-Survivors, their supporters and advocates.
- Bishop Sophie and Archdeacons Tim and Alison, and other Church leaders, responsible for their church safeguarding culture.
- Those working in safeguarding-related roles in our community: social workers, the police, education professionals, health workers, etc.
- For government and lawmakers who set the standards and regulatory frameworks that keep people safe.
- Some of the big issues facing society today, such as online safety, Violence Against Women and Girls, Domestic Abuse, Celebrity grooming and coercion, etc

A prayer for Safeguarding Sunday

God of love, who loved us first, and who in Jesus, showed us how to love others, forgive us for the times we've looked away, or stayed silent when we should have spoken up. Teach us to love as you love.

God of compassion, who sees the overlooked, and draws near the hurting and exploited, help us to see with your eyes, listen with your ears, and give us courage to stand with those who are not heard. Teach us to love as you love.

God of truth, who shines light into darkness who reveals what is hidden and unspoken, free us from our shame, our denial, and fear, lead us in the way of honesty, openness and healing. Teach us to love as you love.

God of protection, our place of safety and refuge, may your Church be a place where: power is used to serve, people find belonging, and love is made real in what we say and do. Teach us to love as you love, with love that protects, always. Amen.

Richard's video for the week: New tech, old story

Safeguarding Sunday

15th November – 9.30am and 11.15am services

This is the Church of England's dedicated Sunday to reflect on Safeguarding. Our morning services will follow the theme, "Love protects", using 1 Cor 13:7 as the key text.

Safeguarding Sunday is a national movement that invites UK churches to show that the safety and wellbeing of children, young people and adults is not an optional extra to faith, but central to our life and witness as followers of Christ.

As Christians, we believe each person is made in the image of God and therefore worthy of dignity, care and protection. Scripture calls us to speak up for those who are vulnerable and strive to create communities where people can belong without fear. Safeguarding Sunday offers us a way to show that these are not just values to be talked about, but practices that shape how we live, worship and care for one another.

However, when we reflect on some people's experience of church, it's clear we haven't always got things right. Churches and Christian communities have not always been the safe places they should have been. The voices of victims, survivors and those with lived experience of abuse, from across the spectrum of Christian faith, challenge the church to humility, repentance, and a renewed commitment to do better.

CITY PRAISE AND PRAYER

You are warmly invited to an evening of praise, worship, and prayer at the beautiful Coventry Cathedral.

Come and join us as we gather together in God's presence to lift our voices in praise, pray together, and experience a powerful time of worship and fellowship.

🗓️ **Date:** Sunday, **15 November 2026**
🕕 **Time:** 6:30 PM
📍 **Venue:** Coventry Cathedral



Bring your family, friends, and loved ones. Everyone is welcome!

Come expectant. Come ready to worship. Come and be blessed!

Welcome to the New Dean of Coventry, Very Revd Andrew Dodd
Coventry Cathedral
Saturday 28th November at 2pm

Bishop Sophie invites all church members across the diocese to this service of welcome and installation of the new Dean of Coventry.

Darkness to Light Service – Sunday 29th November @ 6pm

Your role: Donating mince pies to serve our guests

We offer refreshments and a warm welcome to everyone attending. If you are able to help by donating some mince pies, we would be most grateful. Your generosity will help us make the occasion extra special.

Mince pies can be dropped off at the Church Office during the week, between 10.00am and 3.00pm, or brought along **on Sunday 22nd or Sunday 29th November** and left at the back of the church with our welcomers.

Thank you so much for your kindness and support!

Christmas Services and events





CHRISTMAS FLYER DELIVERY – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Christmas flyers will be available at the back of the church from next week.

We invite members of the congregation to collect a bundle and help distribute the flyers to homes across our parish, spreading the word about our Christmas services and celebrations.

Your help in reaching our local community and sharing the joy of Christmas would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your support!

A D V E R T
Serving Roles at Holy Trinity Coventry:

Evening Service – front of house assistant
Arrive early (30 minutes before / welcome arrivals / hand-out & collect back books / take collection / count numbers / ensure tidiness / liaise with verger & service leader

Evening Service – livestream operator
Arrive before the service and enable the 3 cameras to capture the beauty of this service for our global audience.

Midweek Welcome Team
Covering a 2-hour slot (Tuesday to Sunday), enabling HTC to welcome visitors and seekers, pray-ers and enquirers. Contact Nick Jackson/Chris Aston to know more

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PCC Vacancy filled

We are pleased to announce that, following the receipt of one nomination, **Terry Kingsley has been appointed to the Parochial Church Council (PCC)** to serve until 2027.
Terry also volunteers as our Social Media Co-ordinator, helping to share activities and church life through our digital channels. He brings his communication, organisational and creative media skills to this role, helping Holy Trinity to stay connected, strengthen engagement and share the life and mission of our church across all our congregations.

We are grateful to Terry for his willingness to serve and for the time and talents he gives to supporting our church community.

Future HTC services and events



You will regret missing this one:
OUTSTANDING CHOIR, SUPERB MUSIC, ICONIC VENUE, FREE ADMISSION!

The amazing Sine Nomine choir has performed at St Paul's, Westminster Abbey, St George's Windsor, York Minster and several other notable venues.
Its members will be travelling to Holy Trinity Coventry from across England, from Blackburn to Southampton to give a seasonal recital of Vaughan Williams' best part

songs and favourite church music including the heart-melting, beautiful Mass in G minor - one of the outstanding choral masterpieces of the 20th Century.

Holy Trinity Coventry Recitals in 2026/2027

2026

Nov 14 Sine Nomine (Choir) directed by Andrew Cope

Dec 2 James Kirby (Piano)

2027

Jan 30 Chamber Delights (Annette Ball & friends)

Feb 3 Alex Merritt (Saxophone) and Rebecca Nash (Jazz Piano)

Mar 3 Amit Yahav (piano)

Mar 6 (3.00 pm) Heart of England Cooperative Concert Orchestra

Mar 13 John Wilderspin (organ)

April 7 Sydney Suffield (Soprano) and Julian Hellaby (Piano)

Apr 24 Tim Campain (Organ)

May 5 Johanna Summer (improvising pianist)

May 8 Dominic Downs (Piano)

22 Ravensdale School Choirs (Director: Wendy Russell)

June 2 Olga Stehzko (Piano)

July 7 Viv McClean (Piano)

Oct 16 Laura Cope and Rosemary Robinson

Julian Meeting at Holy Trinity

1.00pm to 2pm – every 4th Wednesday of the month

(25 November, 23 December, 27 January and 24 February)

WHAT IS A JULIAN MEETING? Julian of Norwich was a woman who lived at the end of the fourteenth century in Norwich. When she was about 30 years old, she almost died and in what were thought to be her last moments she had a series of visions of Jesus on the cross. She didn't die; instead she became an anchoress – living a life of silence and prayer in a room attached to the church of St Julian in Norwich – and wrote down what she had seen and learnt about God. Her 'Revelations of Divine Love' is the first book known to have been written in English by a woman. It gives a wonderful picture of God's love and is still widely read.

In the 20th century, a group of people began to come together to pray – not in words but in silence. They took the name of Julian Meetings to remember Julian's life of silent prayer, and it is the silence which is the hallmark of this way of praying. There are Julian groups in many parts of Britain and overseas. They meet as a small group – usually not more than 10 people sitting together for half an hour in silence, giving time to God. Someone is timekeeper, starting and ending the silence with a short prayer, reading or piece of music. There is time before and after to greet each other, but it is the silence together that is the hallmark of a Julian Meeting. It has a special feel of its own, as you are held in God's hands, giving him space to be with you.

You are very welcome to join the Holy Trinity Julian Meeting. If you would like to know more about Julian Meetings, email Kate Hughes on kate879@btinternet.com

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Mission focus (November 2026)



The Light House Christian Care Ministry was founded by Coventry Christians in 1986, to provide counselling for people from across the region, aiming for it to be affordable even for those with limited financial means.

They provide a safe, non-judgemental space of acceptance and empathetic understanding for those over 18 years of age, with a team of professional staff counsellors and associate volunteer counsellors. They train student counsellors, and also have volunteers doing admin, fundraising, or practical tasks around their base in Ball Hill. They help people with anxiety, stress, depression, attempted suicide, relationship difficulties, bereavement, addictions, and those with a history of abuse. We find a good take-up of their leaflets from the Jesus Chapel in HTC, where people in distress often spend time in prayer. Our financial support for them has enabled them to continue to operate in challenging times.
A representative from The Light House will be with us for our morning services on November 15th.

For further information, see: https://lighthousechristiancare.co.uk

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Coventry Foodbank – urgent needs for November 2026:

Urgent Food Items Needed

- **Tinned Potatoes & Instant Mash**
- **Cooking Sauces** (e.g., jarred pasta or curry sauces)
- **Tinned Fruit & Tinned Fish / Tomatoes**
- **Rice, Dry Noodles & Jam**
- **UHT Long-Life Milk**
- **Soft Drinks** (Long-life fruit juice or squash ONLY)
- **Fruit Juice or Squash** - *No water, fruit shoot-type drinks, Fizzy Pop or alcohol*

Essential Non-Food Items Needed

- **Toiletries:** Female Toiletries, Male Toiletries (including shampoo and deodorant)

Please place in the Foodbank Collection Basket by the church's Welcome Desk. Donated items must be long-dated and in good condition or will be thrown away.

Every blessing to you,

Revd Canon Richard Hibbert
Vicar, Holy Trinity Coventry
Chaplain to the Lord Mayor of Coventry
Chaplain to the Freemen's Guild of Coventry
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